

IN THE CLAIMS

*Amend claims 1 and 2 as follows.*

- C1
1. (Amended three times) Backing material for medical purposes, characterized in that the backing material is a nonwoven, overstitched by yarns, the backing material is coated partially or over its entire area on at least one side with an adhesive composition further comprising at least one pharmacologically active agent.

- C2
2. (Amended three times) Backing material for medical purposes, characterized in that the backing material is a nonwoven which is reinforced by the formation of stitches formed by loops from the fibers of the web, and the backing material is coated partially or over its entire area on at least one side with an adhesive composition further comprising at least one pharmacologically active agent.

*Add new claims 29-32 as follows.*

- C3
- 29.(New) The backing material of claim 1 wherein the at least one pharmacologically active agent comprises one or more pharmacologically active compounds.
- 30.(New) The backing material in claim 1 wherein the at least one pharmacologically active agent comprises one or more extracts of biological material.
- 31.(New) The backing material in claim 1 wherein at least a portion of the at least one pharmacologically active agent is not in co-mixture with the adhesive composition.
- 32.(New) The backing material in claim 31 wherein the not co-mixed portion of the pharmacologically active agent is in one or more forms selected from the group consisting of particles, pellets, fibers or filaments, and regular- or irregular-shaped fragments.